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ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2615

Introduced by Assembly Member Wood

February 19, 2016

An act to amend Sections 8422, 8423, 8426, 8427, 8482.3, 8482.4, 8482.6, 8482.8, 8483, 8483.1, 8483.3, 8483.7, and 8484.8 of, and *to* add Section 8426.5 to, the Education Code, relating to after school programs.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2615, as amended, Wood. After school programs.

(1) Existing law establishes the 21st Century High School After School Safety and Enrichment for Teens program, under the administration of the State Department of Education, and requires a high school after school program, established as specified, to consist of an academic assistance element and an enrichment element that include certain things. Existing law requires applicants for grants to ensure that certain requirements are fulfilled.

This bill would, among other things, ~~(1)~~ authorize a school program participating in the state program to charge family fees, as ~~specified~~, ~~(2)~~ *specified*; authorize the department to withhold or terminate grant

allocations that do not comply with specified reporting requirements required by the department, and ~~(3) department; and~~ allow participating school programs to transfer program services to another schoolsite within the same local educational agency under specified circumstances.

(2) Existing law establishes the After School Education and Safety Program (ASES) to serve pupils in kindergarten and grades 1 to 9, inclusive, at participating public elementary, middle, junior high, and charter schools, as specified.

This bill would, among other things, ~~(1)~~ specify that grades to be served by participating school programs may be determined by local needs, ~~(2)~~ require participating school programs that charge family fees to waive or reduce the cost of these fees for pupils who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals, and ~~(3)~~ state the intent of the Legislature that participating middle school or junior high school pupils participate in the full day of the program every day during which pupils participate, except as specified.

(3) Existing law states the intent of the Legislature that the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) program contained within a specified federal act complement ASES. Existing law requires at least 40% of the total amount appropriated pursuant to the 21st CCLC program, except as specified, to be allocated to programs serving elementary and middle school pupils and at least 50% of the total amount appropriated, except as specified, to be allocated on a priority basis for after school grants to community learning centers serving high school pupils.

This bill would require the department to allocate those funds to each geographic region of the state, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 8422 of the Education Code is amended
- 2 to read:
- 3 8422. (a) Priority for funding pursuant to this article shall be
- 4 given to programs that previously received funding pursuant to
- 5 Section 8421, for expansion of existing grants up to the per site
- 6 maximum established under paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of
- 7 Section 8426, or to replace expiring grants that have satisfactorily
- 8 met their projected attendance goals.

1 (b) A program established pursuant to this article shall be
2 planned through a collaborative process that includes parents,
3 pupils, representatives of participating schools, governmental
4 agencies, including city and county parks and recreation
5 departments, community organizations, law enforcement, and, if
6 appropriate, the private sector.

7 (c) Every pupil attending a school operating a program pursuant
8 to this article is eligible to participate in the program, subject to
9 program capacity. A program established pursuant to this article
10 may charge family fees. Programs that charge family fees shall
11 waive or reduce the cost of these fees for pupils who are eligible
12 for free or reduced-price meals.

13 (d) A program established pursuant to this article shall have the
14 option of operating under either of the following modes:

15 (1) After school only.

16 (2) After school and during any combination of before school,
17 weekends, summer, intersession, and vacation.

18 SEC. 2. Section 8423 of the Education Code is amended to
19 read:

20 8423. (a) (1) The department shall select grantees to
21 participate in the 21st Century High School After School Safety
22 and Enrichment for Teens program from among applicants that
23 apply on forms and in a manner prescribed by the department. To
24 the extent possible, the selection of applicants by the department
25 shall result in an equitable distribution of grant awards to applicants
26 in northern, southern, and central California, and in urban and rural
27 areas of the state.

28 (2) For purposes of paragraph (1), the following terms shall
29 have the following meanings:

30 (A) "Central California" means California County
31 Superintendents Educational Services Association regions five to
32 eight, inclusive.

33 (B) "Northern California" means California County
34 Superintendents Educational Services Association regions one to
35 four, inclusive.

36 (C) "Southern California" means California County
37 Superintendents Educational Services Association regions 9 to 11,
38 inclusive.

39 (D) "Urban and rural areas" shall be as defined by the United
40 States Census Bureau.

(b) The department shall consider the following criteria in awarding grants:

(1) Strength of the educational element and coordination with state academic standards, preparation for the high school exit examination, and other academic interventions.

(2) Strength of the enrichment element.

(3) Evidence of community collaboration, including demonstrated support of the principal and staff from participating schools.

(4) A description of the manner in which programs will provide a safe physical and emotional environment and opportunities for relationship building, and promote active pupil engagement.

(5) A description of the manner in which the program design will be periodically reexamined in order to maintain strong pupil interest.

(6) A description of plans to attract pupils, particularly pupils considered at risk or in need of academic support, on a regular basis.

(c) The application shall certify all of the following:

(1) Completion of an assessment of pupils' preferences for program activities.

(2) Access to, and availability of, computers and technology.

(3) Inclusion of a nutritional snack, meal, or both, and a physical activity element.

(4) That the program will meet all of the evaluation requirements.

(5) Fiscal accountability.

(6) Collection and use of pupil social, behavioral, or skill development data collection to support quality program improvement processes. These pupil data outcomes may relate to specific social-emotional competencies, including, but not necessarily limited to, social skills, self-control, academic mindset, perseverance, conflict resolution, and school connectedness.

SEC. 3. Section 8426 of the Education Code is amended to read:

8426. (a) (1) A grantee that establishes a program pursuant to this chapter is eligible to receive a five-year grant of up to two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) per year per site in a program, subject to semiannual attendance reporting. Funding for a grant shall be allocated in annual increments for a period of not

1 more than five years, contingent upon the availability and
2 appropriation of federal funds by the Legislature for those grants.

3 (2) The department shall notify new grantees of their award
4 status and *the* dollar amount of the award, if any, in writing on or
5 before May 15 of each year in which new grants are awarded. The
6 grantee shall notify the department in writing of its acceptance of
7 the grant.

8 (3) A first-year grant award shall be made no later than 60 days
9 after enactment of the annual Budget Act and any authorizing
10 legislation. A grant award for the second and subsequent fiscal
11 years shall be made no later than 30 days after enactment of the
12 annual Budget Act and any authorizing legislation.

13 (4) A grantee who receives funds pursuant to this article as part
14 of a partnership or consortium may restructure the partnership or
15 consortium if all of the following conditions are met:

16 (A) All partners or consortium members agree to the restructure.

17 (B) The new consortia or partnership structure, or structures,
18 complies with the requirements of paragraph (8) of subdivision
19 (f) of Section 8421, as applicable.

20 (C) There is no change in the school, or schools, served by the
21 restructured partnership or consortium.

22 (D) The department agrees to the restructure.

23 ~~(5) Restructure of a partnership or consortium pursuant to~~
24 ~~paragraph (4) may occur only at the time of grant renewal pursuant~~
25 ~~to the requirements of this article.~~

26 (b) The department shall allocate 25 percent of the grant amount
27 each year no later than 30 days after the grant award acceptance
28 letter is received by the department.

29 (c) (1) Not more than 15 percent of each annual grant amount
30 may be used by a grantee for administrative costs. For purposes
31 of this article, administrative costs shall include indirect costs.
32 Indirect costs shall not exceed the lesser of the following:

33 (A) The grantee's indirect cost rate, as approved by the
34 department for the appropriate fiscal year.

35 (B) Five percent of the state program funding received pursuant
36 to this article.

37 (2) In addition to the funding allowed for administrative costs
38 pursuant to paragraph (1), up to 15 percent of the first year's annual
39 grant award for each after school grant recipient may be used for
40 startup costs.

1 (3) Funding made available pursuant to this subdivision shall
2 not result in an increase in the total funding of a grantee above the
3 approved grant amount.

4 (d) Grantees are subject to semiannual attendance reporting
5 during each year of the grant.

6 (1) The department shall provide technical support for
7 development of a program improvement plan for grantees under
8 either of the following conditions:

9 (A) If actual pupil attendance falls below 75 percent of the
10 proposed levels in any year of the grant.

11 (B) If the grantee fails, in any year of the grant, to demonstrate
12 measurable outcomes pursuant to Section 8427.

13 (2) If the actual pupil attendance falls below 75 percent of the
14 proposed attendance level at the end of the second year of the
15 grant, the department may reduce funding for the grantee.

16 (3) The department shall adjust the grant level of any school in
17 the program that is under its proposed attendance level by more
18 than 15 percent in each of two consecutive years.

19 (4) In any year, after the first grant-year period, that the actual
20 attendance level of a school within the program falls below 75
21 percent of the proposed attendance level, the department shall
22 perform a review of the program and may adjust the grant level
23 as the department deems appropriate.

24 (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or any
25 other law, the department may at any time terminate the grant of
26 a school in a public school program that fails in three consecutive
27 years to meet either of the following requirements:

28 (1) Demonstrate program outcomes pursuant to Section 8427.

29 (2) Attain 75 percent of its proposed attendance levels after
30 having its program reviews and grant level adjusted by the
31 department.

32 (f) The department shall create a process to allow a grantee to
33 voluntarily lower its annual grant amount if one or more sites are
34 unable to meet the proposed pupil attendance levels by the end of
35 the second year of the grant.

36 (g) (1) The administrator of a program may supplement, but
37 not supplant, existing funding for after school programs with grant
38 funds awarded pursuant to this article.

39 (2) In addition to administrative costs, a program participant
40 may expend up to the greater of 6 percent of its state funding or

1 seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to collect outcome
2 data for evaluation and for reports to the department.

3 (3) All state funding awarded to a program pursuant to this
4 article that remains after subtracting the administrative costs,
5 startup costs, and outcome data costs authorized by subdivisions
6 (c) and (d) shall be allocated to the program site for direct services
7 to pupils.

8 (h) When determining grant award amounts after each grant
9 year, the department may consider whether a program is operating
10 consistent with the terms of its application, including whether the
11 number of pupils served on a regular basis is consistent with the
12 number estimated, and may consider the strength of any
13 justifications or future plans offered by the program to address
14 inconsistencies with the terms of the application. If the department
15 finds that a program is not operating consistent with the terms of
16 its application, the department may take appropriate action,
17 including denying grant awards or reducing the level of grant
18 funding.

19 (i) The department may withhold or terminate the grant
20 allocation of any site or program that does not comply with audit
21 resolutions, fiscal reporting, attendance reporting, or outcomes
22 reporting requirements required by the department.

23 (j) If a program grantee is temporarily prevented from operating
24 its entire program due to natural disaster, civil unrest, or imminent
25 danger to pupils or staff, the department may approve a request
26 by the grantee for pupil attendance credits equal to the average
27 annual attendance that the grantee would have received if it had
28 been able to operate its entire program during that time period.

29 SEC. 4. Section 8426.5 is added to the Education Code, to
30 read:

31 8426.5. (a) (1) If there is a significant barrier to pupil
32 participation in a program established pursuant to this article at
33 the school of attendance, a grantee may request approval from the
34 department to transfer program services to another schoolsite within
35 the same local educational agency. The schoolsite to which the
36 program will be transferred shall satisfy either of the following
37 requirements:

38 (A) The schoolsite shall receive pupils from, and have a grant
39 of the same type awarded pursuant to this article as, the transferring
40 school.

(B) The schoolsite shall not have a 10-percent lower percentage of pupils eligible for free or reduced-price meals than the transferring school. If the proposed schoolsite is not yet open, feeder school free or reduced-price meal data, as determined by the department, shall be considered in evaluating the proposed transfer.

(2) The schoolsite shall not increase the funding at the proposed schoolsite above the maximum after school grant amount established under paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 8426. An applicant that requests approval to transfer program services shall describe the manner in which the applicant intends to provide safe, supervised transportation; ensure communication among teachers in the regular school program, staff in the before school and after school components of the program, and parents of pupils; and coordinate the educational and literacy component of the before and after school components of the program with the regular school programs of participating pupils.

(b) For purposes of this article, a significant barrier to pupil participation in the before or after school component of a program established pursuant to this chapter means any of the following:

(1) Fewer than 20 pupils participating in the component of the program.

(2) Extreme transportation constraints, including, but not limited to, desegregation bussing, bussing for magnet or open enrollment schools, or pupil dependence on public transportation.

(3) A local educational agency opens a new schoolsite and either merges an existing schoolsite into the new schoolsite or splits the existing ~~schoolsite~~ *schoolsite's* pupils with the new schoolsite so that the existing schoolsite after school program is subject to a grant reduction pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 8426.

SEC. 5. Section 8427 of the Education Code is amended to read:

8427. (a) A high school after school program established pursuant to this article shall submit to the department annual outcome-based data for evaluation.

(1) To demonstrate program effectiveness, grantees shall submit, using the unique statewide pupil identifiers for participating pupils who are unduplicated pupils, both of the following:

(A) Schoolday attendance on an annual basis.

(B) Program attendance on a semiannual basis.

1 (2) Programs shall submit evidence of a data-driven program
2 quality improvement process that is based on the department's
3 guidance on program quality standards developed pursuant to
4 paragraph (3).

5 (3) The department may develop additional measures to
6 demonstrate program effectiveness, including, but not limited to,
7 program quality standards. Additions shall be developed in
8 consultation with the advisory committee pursuant to Section
9 8484.9.

10 (4) Programs shall submit information to the department through
11 the process used in subdivision (b) of Section 8421.5.

12 (b) (1) If a program consistently fails to demonstrate measurable
13 program outcomes for three consecutive years, the department
14 may terminate the program pursuant to the process described in
15 subdivision (e) of Section 8426. The department shall consider
16 multiple outcomes and not rely on one outcome in isolation.

17 (2) For purposes of this subdivision, "consistently fails to
18 demonstrate measurable program outcomes" means failure to meet
19 program effectiveness requirements pursuant to the criteria in
20 paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (a).

21 (3) Measurable program outcomes may be demonstrated by,
22 but are not limited to, the following methods:

23 (A) Comparing pupils participating in the program to
24 nonparticipating pupils at the same schoolsite.

25 (B) Pupils participating in the program demonstrate
26 improvement on one or more indicators collected by the program
27 pursuant to this section.

28 (c) The department shall identify or develop standardized
29 procedures and tools to collect the indicators in paragraphs (1) and
30 (2) of subdivision (a) in accordance with the recommendations
31 made pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (h) of Section
32 8484.9.

33 SEC. 6. Section 8482.3 of the Education Code is amended to
34 read:

35 8482.3. (a) The After School Education and Safety Program
36 shall be established to serve pupils in kindergarten and grades 1
37 to 9, inclusive, at participating public elementary, middle, junior
38 high, and charter schools. The grades to be served by the program
39 at participating schools may be determined by local needs.

(b) A program may operate a before school component of a program, an after school component, or both the before and after school components of a program, on one or multiple schoolsites. If a program operates at multiple schoolsites, only one application shall be required for its establishment.

(c) (1) Each component of a program established pursuant to this article shall consist of the following two elements:

(A) An educational and literacy element in which tutoring or homework assistance is provided in one or more of the following areas: language arts, mathematics, history and social science, computer training, or science.

(B) An educational enrichment element that may include, but need not be limited to, fine arts, career technical education, recreation, physical fitness, and prevention activities.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, the majority of the time spent by a pupil who is in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 9, inclusive, and who is participating in a career technical education element of a program established pursuant to this article shall be at a site that complies with Section 8484.6.

(d) (1) Applicants shall agree that snacks made available through a program shall conform to the nutrition standards in Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 49430) of Chapter 9 of Part 27 of Division 4 of Title 2.

(2) Applicants shall agree that meals made available through a program shall conform to the nutrition standards of the United States Department of Agriculture's at-risk afterschool meal component of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1766).

(e) Applicants for programs established pursuant to this article may include any of the following:

(1) A local educational agency, including, but not limited to, a charter school, the California School for the Deaf (northern California), the California School for the Deaf (southern California), and the California School for the Blind.

(2) A city, county, or nonprofit organization in partnership with, and with the approval of, a local educational agency or agencies.

(f) Applicants for grants pursuant to this article shall ensure that each of the following requirements is fulfilled, if applicable:

(1) The application documents the commitments of each partner to operate a program on that site or sites.

1 (2) The application has been approved by the school district, or
2 the charter school governing body, and the principal of each
3 participating school for each schoolsite or other site.

4 (3) Each partner in the application agrees to share responsibility
5 for the quality of the program.

6 (4) The application designates the public agency or local
7 educational agency partner to act as the fiscal agent. The fiscal
8 agent may be changed upon approval by the department if the new
9 fiscal agent is a local educational agency or public agency partner.
10 For purposes of this section, “public agency” means only a county
11 board of supervisors or, if the city is incorporated or has a charter,
12 a city council.

13 (5) Applicants agree to follow all fiscal reporting and auditing
14 standards required by the department.

15 (6) Applicants agree to incorporate into the program both of the
16 elements required pursuant to subdivision (c).

17 (7) Applicants agree to provide information to the department
18 for the purpose of program evaluation pursuant to Section 8483.55.

19 (8) Applicants shall certify that program evaluations will be
20 based upon Section 8484 and upon any requirements recommended
21 by the Advisory Committee on Before and After School Programs
22 and adopted by the state board, in compliance with subdivision
23 (g) of Section 8482.4.

24 (9) The application states the targeted number of pupils to be
25 served by the program.

26 (10) Applicants agree to provide the following information on
27 participating pupils to the department:

28 (A) Schoolday attendance rates.

29 (B) Program attendance.

30 (g) (1) Grantees shall review their after school program plans
31 every three years, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

32 (A) Program goals. A grantee may specify any new program
33 goals that will apply to the following three years during the grant
34 renewal process.

35 (B) Program content, including the elements identified in
36 subdivision (c).

37 (C) Outcome measures selected from those identified in
38 subdivision (a) of Section 8484 that the grantee will use for the
39 next three years.

40 (D) Any other information requested by the department.

1 (E) If the program goals or outcome measures change as a result
2 of this review, the grantee shall notify the department in a manner
3 prescribed by the department.

4 (F) The grantee shall maintain documentation of the after school
5 program plan for a minimum of five years.

6 (2) The department shall monitor this review as part of its onsite
7 monitoring process.

8 SEC. 7. Section 8482.4 of the Education Code is amended to
9 read:

10 8482.4. (a) The department shall review applications submitted
11 under this article to determine whether the applicable requirements
12 in subdivision (f) of Section 8482.3 have been fulfilled.

13 (b) The department shall use the per-pupil formulas established
14 pursuant to subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a)
15 of Section 8483.7 and the targeted number of pupils to be served,
16 as established pursuant to paragraph (9) of subdivision (f) of
17 Section 8482.3, to determine the appropriate grant amount.

18 (c) (1) A grantee that establishes a program pursuant to this
19 chapter is eligible to receive a three-year renewable grant subject
20 to ~~semi-annual~~ *semiannual* reporting. Funding for a grant shall be
21 allocated in annual increments for a period of not more than three
22 years, contingent upon the availability of funds for those grants
23 pursuant to Section 8483.5.

24 (2) A grantee who receives funds pursuant to this article as part
25 of a partnership or consortium may restructure the partnership or
26 consortium if all of the following conditions are met:

27 (A) All partners of the partnership or consortium agree to the
28 restructure.

29 (B) The new consortia or partnership structure, or structures,
30 complies with the requirements of subdivision (f) of Section
31 8482.3, as applicable.

32 (C) There is no change in the school, or schools, served by the
33 restructured partnership or consortium.

34 (D) The department approves the restructure.

35 ~~(3) Restructure of a partnership or consortium pursuant to~~
36 ~~paragraph (2) may occur only at the time of grant renewal pursuant~~
37 ~~to the requirements of this article.~~

38 (d) The department shall notify new grantees of their award
39 status and dollar amount of the award, if any, in writing on or
40 before May 15 of each year in which new grants are awarded.

1 (e) A first-year grant award shall be made no later than 60 days
2 after enactment of the annual Budget Act and any authorizing
3 legislation. A grant award for the second and subsequent fiscal
4 years shall be made no later than 30 days after enactment of the
5 annual Budget Act and any authorizing legislation.

6 (f) The department shall allocate 65 percent of the first-year
7 grant amount no later than 30 days after the grantee submits the
8 grant award acceptance letter to the department. Of the remaining
9 35 percent of the grant, the department shall allocate 25 percent
10 or more of the funds within the operational period of the program
11 and may retain up to 10 percent of the total grant until all
12 administrative requirements of the grant have been met. For the
13 second and subsequent years of the grant, the department shall
14 allocate 65 percent of the annual grant amount for that year no
15 later than 30 days after the annual Budget Act becomes effective.
16 Of the remaining 35 percent of the grant, the department shall
17 allocate 25 percent or more of the funds within the operational
18 period of the program and may retain up to 10 percent of the total
19 grant until all administrative requirements of the grant have been
20 met.

21 (g) The Advisory Committee on Before and After School
22 Programs shall make recommendations on reporting requirements
23 for program evaluation and review consistent with subdivision (b)
24 of Section 8483.55 to the department on or before June 30, 2007.
25 The department shall review the committee's recommendations
26 and present them, along with the department's recommendations,
27 to the state board on or before September 30, 2007. The state board
28 shall adopt requirements for program evaluation and review on or
29 before November 30, 2007.

30 (h) (1) The department shall provide notice to all schools
31 eligible for grants pursuant to this article regarding the availability
32 of those grants and the application process.

33 (2) The department shall make the application available through
34 its Internet Web site. The department shall determine the dates by
35 which applications will be periodically considered for funding.

36 SEC. 8. Section 8482.6 of the Education Code is amended to
37 read:

38 8482.6. Every pupil attending a school operating a program
39 pursuant to this article is eligible to participate in the program,
40 subject to program capacity. A program established pursuant to

1 this article may charge family fees. Programs that charge family
2 fees shall waive or reduce the cost of these fees for pupils who are
3 eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

4 SEC. 9. Section 8482.8 of the Education Code is amended to
5 read:

6 8482.8. (a) (1) If there is a significant barrier to pupil
7 participation in a program established pursuant to this article at
8 the school of attendance, a grantee may request approval from the
9 department to transfer program services to another schoolsite within
10 the same local educational agency. The schoolsite to which the
11 program will be transferred shall satisfy either of the following
12 requirements:

13 (A) The schoolsite shall agree to receive pupils from, and have
14 an existing grant of the same type as, the transferring school.

15 (B) The schoolsite shall not have a 10-percent lower percentage
16 of pupils eligible for free or reduced-price meals than the
17 transferring school. If the proposed schoolsite is not yet open,
18 feeder school free or reduced-price meal data, as determined by
19 the department, shall be considered in evaluating the proposed
20 transfer.

21 (2) The schoolsite shall not increase the funding at the proposed
22 schoolsite above the maximum after school grant amount
23 established in subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subdivision
24 (a) of Section 8483.7. An applicant that requests approval to
25 transfer program services shall describe the manner in which the
26 applicant intends to provide safe, supervised transportation; ensure
27 communication among teachers in the regular school program,
28 staff in the before school and after school components of the
29 program, and parents of pupils; and coordinate the educational and
30 literacy component of the before and after school components of
31 the program with the regular school programs of participating
32 pupils.

33 (b) For purposes of this article, a significant barrier to pupil
34 participation in the before or after school component of a program
35 established pursuant to this chapter means any of the following:

36 (1) Fewer than 20 pupils participating in the component of the
37 program.

38 (2) Extreme transportation constraints, including, but not limited
39 to, desegregation bussing, bussing for magnet or open enrollment
40 schools, or pupil dependence on public transportation.

1 (3) A local educational agency opens a new schoolsite and either
2 merges an existing schoolsite into the new schoolsite or splits an
3 existing ~~schoolsite~~ *schoolsite's* pupils with the new schoolsite so
4 that the existing schoolsite before or after school component of
5 the program is subject to a grant reduction pursuant to subparagraph
6 (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 8483.7.

7 (c) In addition to the authority to transfer funds among school
8 programs pursuant to Sections 8483.7 and 8483.75, and in addition
9 to the flexibility provided by subdivisions (a) and (b), a program
10 grantee that is temporarily prevented from operating a program
11 established pursuant to this article at the program site due to natural
12 disaster, civil unrest, or imminent danger to pupils or staff may
13 shift program funds to the sites of other programs established
14 pursuant to this article to meet attendance targets during that time
15 period.

16 (d) If a program grantee is temporarily prevented from operating
17 its entire program due to natural disaster, civil unrest, or imminent
18 danger to pupils or staff, the department may approve a request
19 by the grantee for student attendance credits equal to the average
20 annual attendance that the grantee would have received if it had
21 been able to operate its entire program during that time period.

22 (e) Upon the request of a program grantee, the department may
23 approve other unforeseen events as qualifying a program grantee
24 to use the authority provided by subdivisions (c) and (d).

25 SEC. 10. Section 8483 of the Education Code is amended to
26 read:

27 8483. (a) (1) Every after school component of a program
28 established pursuant to this article shall commence immediately
29 upon the conclusion of the regular schoolday, and operate a
30 minimum of 15 hours per week, and at least until 6 p.m. on every
31 regular schoolday. Every after school component of the program
32 shall establish a policy regarding reasonable early daily release of
33 pupils from the program. For those programs or schoolsites
34 operating in a community where the early release policy does not
35 meet the unique needs of that community or school, or both,
36 documented evidence may be submitted to the department for an
37 exception and a request for approval of an alternative plan.

38 (2) It is the intent of the Legislature that elementary school and
39 middle school or junior high school pupils participate in the full
40 day of the program every day during which pupils participate,

1 except as allowed by the early release policy pursuant to paragraph
2 (1) of this section or paragraph (2) of subdivision (f) of Section
3 8483.76.

4 (3) In order to develop an age-appropriate after school program
5 for pupils in middle school or junior high school, programs
6 established pursuant to this article may implement a flexible
7 attendance schedule for those pupils. Priority for enrollment of
8 pupils in middle school or junior high school shall be given to
9 pupils who attend daily.

10 (b) The administrators of a program established pursuant to this
11 article have the option of operating during any combination of
12 summer, intersession, or vacation periods for a minimum of three
13 hours per day for the regular school year pursuant to Section
14 8483.7.

15 SEC. 11. Section 8483.1 of the Education Code is amended to
16 read:

17 8483.1. (a) (1) Every before school program component
18 established pursuant to this article shall in no instance operate for
19 less than one and one-half hours per regular schoolday. Every
20 program shall establish a policy regarding reasonable late daily
21 arrival of pupils to the program.

22 (2) (A) It is the intent of the Legislature that elementary school
23 and middle school or junior high school pupils participate in the
24 full day of the program every day during which pupils participate,
25 except when arriving late in accordance with the late arrival policy
26 described in paragraph (1) or as reasonably necessary.

27 (B) A pupil who attends less than one-half of the daily program
28 hours shall not be counted for the purposes of attendance.

29 (3) In order to develop an age-appropriate before school program
30 for pupils in middle school or junior high school, programs
31 established pursuant to this article may implement a flexible
32 attendance schedule for those pupils. Priority for enrollment of
33 pupils in middle school or junior high school shall be given to
34 pupils who attend daily.

35 (b) The administrators of a before school program established
36 pursuant to this article shall have the option of operating during
37 any combination of summer, intersession, or vacation periods for
38 a minimum of two hours per day for the regular school year
39 pursuant to Section 8483.75.

1 (c) Every before school program component established pursuant
2 to this article shall offer a breakfast meal as described by Section
3 49553 for all program participants.

4 SEC. 12. Section 8483.3 of the Education Code, as amended
5 by Section 14 of Chapter 370 of the Statutes of 2014, is amended
6 to read:

7 8483.3. (a) The department shall select applicants to participate
8 in the program established pursuant to this article from among
9 applicants that apply on forms and in a manner prescribed by the
10 department. It is the intent of the Legislature that the manner
11 prescribed by the department, to the extent possible, allow for short
12 and concise applicant responses.

13 (b) The department shall consider the following in selecting
14 schools to participate in the program established pursuant to this
15 article:

16 (1) Percentage of pupils eligible for free and reduced-price
17 lunch.

18 (2) Other indicators of need for the program, including, but not
19 limited to, socioeconomic status of the neighborhoods in which
20 participating pupils reside, the percentage of English language
21 learners at the school, and the availability of programs in the
22 community in which participating pupils reside.

23 (c) The application shall certify all of the following:

24 (1) Inclusion of an educational element.

25 (2) Inclusion of an enrichment element. These opportunities
26 may include arts, career technical education, recreation, technology,
27 and other activities to support positive youth development.

28 (3) That the program will provide a safe physical and emotional
29 environment, opportunities for relationship building, and promote
30 active pupil engagement.

31 (4) Staff training and development will be provided.

32 (5) Integration with the regular schoolday and other expanded
33 learning opportunities.

34 (6) Community collaboration, including, but not limited to,
35 demonstrated support of the schoolsite principal and staff.

36 (7) Opportunities for physical activity.

37 (8) Inclusion of a nutritional snack, meal, or both.

38 (9) Fiscal accountability.

39 (10) Availability of required local matching funds.

1 (11) That the program will meet all of the evaluation
2 requirements.

3 (12) Collection and use of pupil social, behavioral, or skill
4 development data collection to support quality program
5 improvement processes. These pupil data outcomes may relate to
6 specific social-emotional competencies, including, but not
7 necessarily limited to, social skills, self-control, academic mindset,
8 perseverance, conflict resolution, and school connectedness.

9 (d) Subdivision (b) does not apply to an applicant school that
10 meets the priority criteria described in subdivision (a) of Section
11 8482.5.

12 SEC. 13. Section 8483.7 of the Education Code is amended to
13 read:

14 8483.7. (a) (1) (A) Each school that establishes a program
15 pursuant to this article is eligible to receive a three-year after school
16 grant, that shall be awarded in three one-year increments and is
17 subject to semiannual attendance reporting and requirements as
18 described in Section 8482.3 once every three years.

19 (i) The department shall provide technical support for
20 development of a program improvement plan for grantees under
21 the following conditions:

22 (I) If actual pupil attendance falls below 75 percent of the target
23 attendance level in any year of the grant.

24 (II) If the grantee fails, in any year of the grant, to demonstrate
25 measurable outcomes pursuant to Section 8484.

26 (ii) The department shall adjust the grant level of any school
27 within the program that is under its targeted attendance level by
28 more than 15 percent in each of two consecutive years.

29 (iii) In any year after the initial grant year, if the actual
30 attendance level of a school within the program falls below 75
31 percent of the target attendance level, the department shall perform
32 a review of the program and adjust the grant level as the department
33 deems appropriate.

34 (iv) The department shall create a process to allow a grantee to
35 voluntarily lower its annual grant amount if one or more sites are
36 unable to meet the proposed pupil attendance levels by the end of
37 the second year of the grant.

38 (v) A grantee who has had its grant amount reduced may
39 subsequently request an increase in funding up to the maximum
40 grant amounts provided under this subdivision.

1 (vi) The department may withhold or terminate the grant
2 allocation of any site or program that does not comply with audit
3 resolutions, fiscal reporting, attendance reporting, or outcomes
4 reporting requirements required by the department.

5 (vii) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subdivision
6 or any other law, after the technical assistance required under
7 clause (i) has been provided, the department may at any time
8 terminate the grant of a school in a program that fails for three
9 consecutive years to meet either of the following requirements:

10 (I) Demonstrate measurable program outcomes pursuant to
11 Section 8484.

12 (II) Attain 75 percent of its proposed attendance level after
13 having had its program reviewed and grant level adjusted by the
14 department.

15 (B) After school grants may be awarded to applicants that have
16 demonstrated readiness to begin operation of a program or to
17 expand existing programs.

18 (C) The maximum total after school grant amount awarded
19 annually pursuant to this paragraph shall be one hundred twelve
20 thousand five hundred dollars (\$112,500) for each regular school
21 year for each elementary school and one hundred fifty thousand
22 dollars (\$150,000) for each regular school year for each middle or
23 junior high school. The Superintendent shall determine the total
24 annual after school grant amount for which a site is eligible based
25 on a formula of seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50) per pupil per
26 day of pupil attendance that the program plans to serve, with a
27 maximum total grant of thirty-seven dollars and fifty cents (\$37.50)
28 per projected pupil per week, and a formula of seven dollars and
29 fifty cents (\$7.50) per projected pupil per day of staff development,
30 with a maximum of three staff development days per year. A
31 program may provide the three days of staff development during
32 regular program hours using funds from the total grant award.

33 (2) For large schools, the maximum total grant amounts
34 described in paragraph (1) may be increased based on the following
35 formulas, up to a maximum amount of twice the respective limits
36 specified in paragraph (1):

37 (A) For elementary schools, multiply one hundred thirteen
38 dollars (\$113) by the number of pupils enrolled at the schoolsite
39 for the normal schoolday program that exceeds 600.

1 (B) For middle schools, multiply one hundred thirteen dollars
2 (\$113) by the number of pupils enrolled at the schoolsite for the
3 normal schoolday program that exceeds 900.

4 (3) The maximum total grant amounts set forth in subparagraph
5 (C) of paragraph (1) may be increased from any funds made
6 available for this purpose in the annual Budget Act for participating
7 schools that have pupils on waiting lists for the program. Grants
8 may be increased by the lesser of an amount that is either 25
9 percent of the current maximum total grant amount or equal to the
10 proportion of pupils unserved by the program as measured by
11 documented waiting lists as of January 1 of the previous grant
12 year, compared to the actual after school enrollment on the same
13 date. The amount of the required cash or in-kind matching funds
14 shall be increased accordingly. First priority for an increased
15 maximum grant pursuant to this paragraph shall be given to schools
16 that qualify for funding pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section
17 8482.55. Second priority shall be given to schools that receive
18 funding priority pursuant to subdivision (f) of Section 8482.55.

19 (4) The minimum total after school grant amount for each
20 schoolsite that may be awarded pursuant to this section shall be
21 computed by multiplying the applicable rate per pupil per day of
22 pupil attendance by 20 pupils being served for 180 regular
23 schooldays.

24 (5) A school that establishes a program pursuant to this section
25 is eligible to receive a summer grant to operate the program in
26 excess of 180 regular schooldays or during any combination of
27 summer, intersession, or vacation periods for a maximum of the
28 lesser of the following amounts:

29 (A) Seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50) per day per pupil.

30 (B) Thirty percent of the total grant amount awarded to the
31 school per school year pursuant to subparagraph (C) of paragraph
32 (1).

33 (C) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (A) and (B), the maximum
34 total summer grant that may be awarded annually pursuant to this
35 paragraph shall be thirty-three thousand seven hundred fifty dollars
36 (\$33,750) for each regular school year for each elementary school
37 and forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) for each regular school
38 year for each middle or junior high school.

39 (6) Additional funding may be made available for transportation
40 in programs that meet the requirements of Section 8484.65, in an

1 amount not to exceed fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) per site,
2 per school year, as funds are available, in accordance with the local
3 community after school program needs as determined by the
4 department. Programs shall submit to the department for
5 consideration evidence of the need for after school transportation
6 funds specific to after school programs pursuant to this article.
7 Funding under this paragraph may be used to supplement, but not
8 supplant, local transportation services.

9 (7) Each program shall provide an amount of cash or in-kind
10 local funds equal to not less than one-third of the total grant from
11 the school district, governmental agencies, community
12 organizations, or the private sector. Facilities or space usage may
13 fulfill not more than 25 percent of the required local contribution.

14 (8) (A) A grantee may allocate, with departmental approval,
15 up to 125 percent of the maximum total grant amount for an
16 individual school, so long as the maximum total grant amount for
17 all school programs administered by the program grantee is not
18 exceeded.

19 (B) A program grantee that transfers funds for purposes of
20 administering a program pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall have
21 an established waiting list for enrollment, and may transfer only
22 from another school program that has met a minimum of 70 percent
23 of its attendance goal.

24 (b) The administrator of a program established pursuant to this
25 article may supplement, but not supplant, existing funding for after
26 school programs with grant funds awarded pursuant to this article.
27 State categorical funds for remedial education activities shall not
28 be used to make the required contribution of local funds for those
29 after school programs.

30 (c) Up to 15 percent of the initial year's grant amount for each
31 grant recipient may be used for startup costs. Under no
32 circumstance shall funding for startup costs result in an increase
33 in the grant recipient's total funding above the approved grant
34 amount.

35 (d) For each year of the grant, the department shall award the
36 total grant amount for that year not later than 30 days after the date
37 the grantee accepts the grant.

38 (e) The department may adjust the amount of a direct grant,
39 awarded to a new applicant pursuant to this section, on the basis
40 of the program start date, as determined by the department.

SEC. 14. Section 8484.8 of the Education Code is amended to read:

8484.8. In accordance with Part B of Title IV of the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (Public Law 107-110), funds appropriated in Item 6110-197-0890 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2002 are available for expenditure as follows, with any subsequent allocations for these purposes to be determined in the annual Budget Act:

(a) Beginning with the 2006–07 fiscal year, 5 percent of the federal funds appropriated through this article shall be available to the department for purposes of providing technical assistance, evaluation, and training services, and for contracting for local technical assistance, for carrying out programs related to 21st Century Community Learning Centers programs.

(1) The department shall provide directly, or contract for, technical assistance for new programs and any program that is not meeting attendance or performance goals, or both, and requests that assistance.

(2) (A) Training and support shall include, but is not limited to, the development and distribution of voluntary guidelines for physical activity programs established pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (c) of Section 8482.3, that expand the learning opportunities of the schoolday.

(B) The department shall distribute these voluntary guidelines for physical activity programs on or before July 1, 2009.

(3) In accordance with Part B of Title IV of the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (Public Law 107-110), funding for programs that promote parent involvement and family literacy are an allowable use of these funds.

(b) (1) At least 5 percent of the total amount appropriated pursuant to this article, after funds have been allocated pursuant to subdivision (a), shall be available for grants to provide equitable access and participation in community learning center programs, in an amount not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) per site, per year, according to needs determined by the local community.

(2) For purposes of paragraph (1), the department shall determine the requirements for eligibility for a grant, consistent with the following:

1 (A) Consistent with the local partnership approach inherent in
2 Article 22.5 (commencing with Section 8482), grants awarded
3 under this subdivision shall provide supplemental assistance to
4 programs. It is not intended that a grant fund the full anticipated
5 costs of the services provided by a community learning center
6 program.

7 (B) In determining the need for a grant pursuant to this
8 subdivision, the department shall base its determination on a needs
9 assessment and a determination that existing resources are not
10 available to meet these needs, including, but not limited to, a
11 description of how the needs, strengths, and resources of the
12 community have been assessed, currently available resources, and
13 the justification for additional resources for that purpose.

14 (C) The department shall award grants for a specific purpose,
15 as justified by the applicant.

16 (3) To be eligible to receive a grant under this subdivision, the
17 designated public agency representative for the applicant shall
18 certify that an annual fiscal audit will be conducted and that
19 adequate, accurate records will be kept. In addition, each applicant
20 shall provide the department with the assurance that funds received
21 under this subdivision are expended only for those services and
22 supports for which they are granted. The department shall require
23 grant recipients to submit annual budget reports, and the department
24 may withhold funds in subsequent years if after school grant funds
25 are expended for purposes other than as awarded.

26 (4) The department shall require grant recipients to submit
27 quarterly expenditure reports, and the department may withhold
28 funds in subsequent years if access or literacy grant funds are
29 expended for purposes other than as granted.

30 (c) At least 50 percent of the total amount appropriated pursuant
31 to this article, after funds have been allocated pursuant to
32 subdivision (a), shall be allocated on a priority basis for after school
33 grants to community learning centers serving high school pupils
34 funded pursuant to Section 8421. The department shall allocate
35 funds to each geographic region described in subdivision (a) of
36 Section 8423 by the regional percentage of statewide pupils who
37 are eligible for free or reduced-price meals reported to the
38 department for the immediately preceding fiscal year. Each region's
39 percentage shall be determined by dividing the region's number

1 of pupils eligible for free or reduced-price meals by the statewide
2 number of pupils eligible for free or reduced-price meals.

3 (d) Grant awards under this section shall be restricted to those
4 applications that propose primarily to serve pupils that attend
5 schoolwide programs, as described in Title I of the federal No
6 Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (Public Law 107-110). Competitive
7 priority shall be given to applications that propose to serve pupils
8 in schools designated as being in need of improvement under
9 subsection (b) of Section 6316 of Title 20 of the United States
10 Code, and that are jointly submitted by school districts and
11 community-based organizations.

12 (e) (1) At least 40 percent of the total amount appropriated
13 pursuant to this article, after funds have been allocated pursuant
14 to subdivision (a), shall be allocated to programs serving
15 elementary and middle school pupils. The department shall allocate
16 funds to each geographic region described in subdivision (k) by
17 the regional percentage of statewide pupils who are eligible for
18 free or reduced-price meals reported to the department for the
19 immediately preceding fiscal year. Each region's percentage shall
20 be determined by dividing the region's number of pupils eligible
21 for free or reduced-price meals by the statewide number of pupils
22 eligible for free or reduced-price meals. The administrators of a
23 program established pursuant to this article may operate during
24 regular schooldays for a minimum of 15 hours per week and any
25 combination of summer, intersession, or vacation periods for a
26 minimum of three hours per day for the regular school year
27 pursuant to Section 8483.7. Grantees administering comprehensive
28 programs established pursuant to Section 8482.3 are also eligible
29 for funding for summer, intersession, or vacation periods pursuant
30 to this section.

31 (2) After school and summer funding grants for programs
32 serving middle and elementary school pupils shall be allocated
33 according to the same funding provisions, and subject to the same
34 reporting and accountability provisions, as described in Sections
35 8483.7 and 8483.75.

36 (3) Priority shall be given to grant applications that will provide
37 year-round expanded learning programming, including programs
38 that complement existing funded programs. Year-round expanded
39 learning programs are defined as any combination of an applicant
40 that provides year-round programming, an applicant that offers

1 summer programming to complement existing after school
2 programs, or an applicant that offers after school programs to
3 complement existing summer programs. The applicant is not
4 required to be the same entity that operates the existing program,
5 but shall identify the grantee with whom the applicant is
6 coordinating for the purpose of providing year-round programming.

7 (4) (A) Funding for a grant shall be allocated in annual
8 increments for a period not to exceed five years, subject to annual
9 reporting and recertification as required by the department. The
10 department shall establish a payment system to accommodate
11 upfront payments. The department shall notify new grantees, whose
12 grant awards are contingent upon the appropriation of funds for
13 those grants, in writing no later than May 15 of each year in which
14 new grants are awarded. A first-year grant award shall be made
15 no later than 60 days after enactment of the annual Budget Act
16 and any authorizing legislation. A grant award for the second and
17 subsequent fiscal years shall be made no later than 30 days after
18 enactment of the annual Budget Act and any authorizing legislation.
19 The grantee shall notify the department in writing of its acceptance
20 of the grant.

21 (B) For the first year of a grant, the department shall allocate
22 25 percent of the grant for that year no later than 30 days after the
23 grantee accepts the grant. For the second and subsequent years of
24 the grant, the department shall allocate 25 percent of the grant for
25 that year no later than 30 days after the annual Budget Act becomes
26 effective. The grantee shall not use more than 15 percent of an
27 annual grant award for administrative costs.

28 (C) In addition to the funding allowed for administrative costs
29 under subparagraph (B), up to 15 percent of the initial annual grant
30 award for each after school grant recipient may be used for startup
31 costs.

32 (D) Under no circumstance shall funding made available
33 pursuant to subparagraphs (B) and (C) result in an increase in the
34 total funding of a grantee above the approved grant amount.

35 (5) A grantee shall identify the federal, state, and local programs
36 that will be combined or coordinated with the proposed program
37 for the most effective use of public resources, and shall prepare a
38 plan for continuing the program beyond federal grant funding.

1 (6) A grantee shall submit semiannual attendance data and
2 results to facilitate evaluation and compliance in accordance with
3 provisions established by the department.

4 (7) A program receiving a grant under this subdivision is not
5 assured of grant renewal from future state or federal funding at
6 the conclusion of the grant period. However, priority for funding
7 pursuant to this subdivision shall be given to programs with
8 expiring grants, if those programs have satisfactorily met projected
9 pupil outcomes pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 8484.

10 (f) A total annual grant award for after school funding and grants
11 for a site serving elementary or middle school pupils shall be fifty
12 thousand dollars (\$50,000) per year or more, consistent with federal
13 requirements.

14 (g) Notwithstanding any other law, and contingent upon the
15 availability of funding, the department may adjust the after school
16 grant cap of any grantee based upon one or both of the following:

17 (1) Amendments made to this section by Chapter 555 of the
18 Statutes of 2005.

19 (2) The demonstrated pupil attendance pattern of the grantee.
20 The department may adjust grant awards pursuant to subparagraph
21 (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 8483.7.

22 (h) Funds received but unexpended under this article may be
23 carried forward to subsequent years consistent with federal
24 requirements. In year one, the full grant may be retained.

25 (i) If funds remain after all of the priority allocations required
26 pursuant to subdivisions (a), (b), (c), and (e) have been made, the
27 department may use that money to fund additional qualified grant
28 applications under subdivision (c), in order to ensure that all federal
29 funds received for these purposes are expended for these purposes.
30 If funds remain after additional qualified grant applications are
31 approved for funding pursuant to subdivision (c), the department
32 may award the remaining funds for additional qualified grant
33 applications pursuant to subdivisions (b) and (e).

34 (j) In any fiscal year in which the total state appropriation for
35 that fiscal year exceeds the total state appropriation for the 2008–09
36 fiscal year after funds have been allocated pursuant to subdivision
37 (a), the excess amount shall be allocated on a priority basis for
38 after school grants to community learning centers funded pursuant
39 to Section 8421 as follows:

1 (1) Thirty-five percent to community learning centers serving
2 high school pupils.

3 (2) Fifty percent to community learning centers serving
4 elementary and middle school pupils.

5 (3) Fifteen percent to summer programs serving elementary and
6 middle school pupils.

7 (k) (1) To the extent possible, the selection of applicants by the
8 department pursuant to this article shall result in an equitable
9 distribution of grant awards to applicants in northern, southern,
10 and central California, and in urban and rural areas of the state.

11 (2) For purposes of paragraph (1), the following terms shall
12 have the following meanings:

13 (A) “Central California” means California County
14 Superintendents Educational Services Association regions five to
15 eight, inclusive.

16 (B) “Northern California” means California County
17 Superintendents Educational Services Association regions one to
18 four, inclusive.

19 (C) “Southern California” means California County
20 Superintendents Educational Services Association regions 9 to 11,
21 inclusive.

22 (D) “Urban and rural areas” shall be as defined by the United
23 States Census Bureau.

24 (l) This article shall be operative only to the extent that federal
25 funds are made available for the purposes of this article. It is the
26 intent of the Legislature that this article not be considered a
27 precedent for general fund augmentation of either the state
28 administered, federally funded program of this article, or any other
29 state funded before or after school program.